# **Research on Block Scheduling**

## **Consultation**

Dr. Lynn Canady - September, 2004

Roger Lee – Principal at Liberty HS – October, 2004

## **Presentation**

Dr. Lynn Canady – Oct. 2003 – Beliefs relative to school policies and grading practices.

#### **Web Sites**

<u>www.ed.gov/pubs/prisonersoftime</u> - Great information on time as a resource for learning.

Directory of High School Scheduling Models in Virginia: 1994-2003 School Year" by M.D. Rettig. A report on innovative high school scheduling, accessible at coe.jmu/EdLeadership/index2.htm.

## **Position Paper**

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## **School Visits**

Liberty High School – Fauquier Co. – (4 x 4 Modified)

Atlee High School – Hanover Co. – (A/B Block)

Edison High School – Fairfax Co. – (4 x 4 Modified)

Blake High School – Montgomery Co. MD – (Modified Block)

Gar-Field HS – Prince William Co. – (A/B Block)

Spotsylvania Vocational Center – (Converting to block next year)

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